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In re Application of :  
Montgomery :  
Application No. 09/715,350 : ON PETITION  
Filed: November 17, 2000 :  
Attorney Docket No. 0500.0003231 :  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS :  
IMPROVING EFFICIENCY OF END-USER :  
CERTIFICATE VALIDATION :

This is a decision on the petition, filed March 9, 2006 (certificate of mailing date March 7, 2006), under 37 CFR 1.137(b) to revive the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely submit a reply within three (3) months of the mailing of the July 14, 2005 non-final Office action. No response being received and no extensions of time being obtained, this application became abandoned on October 15, 2005. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on January 31, 2006.

Applicant has submitted an amendment in reply to the July 14, 2005 non-final Office action, an acceptable statement of the unintentional nature of the delay in responding to the July 14, 2005 non-final Office action, and the petition fee.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

After the mailing of this decision the application will be forwarded to Technology Center AU 2134 for consideration of the amendment filed on March 9, 2006 (certificate of mailing date March 7, 2006).

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